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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Comments of Philip Kelleher re House Armed
Services Committee Matters

1. Yesterday I lunched with Philip Kelleher, former Counsel
of House Armed Services Committee, who is quite close to Chairman
Hebert and retains his connections with the Committee staff. Regarding

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2. Kelleher agrees with my feeling that a formal Agency Sub-
committee is quite important in order to provide the Agency with
some protection and prevent the Committee from being accused of
neglecting its oversight responsibilities. In response to my question
about Representative O. C. Fisher, Kelleher felt that this might offer
the ideal solution.

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Kelleher said if I had no objection he might
discreetly sound out Fisher's views about his desires regarding a
future Subcommittee assignment, casually mentioning the CIA Sub-
committee as one possibility.

3. Today Kelleher called me to say he had talked to Fisher as
suggested, and Fisher appeared quite interested in the possibility.

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